REPORT OF THE AUDIT OF THE OWSLEY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE OWSLEY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

The Auditor of Public Accounts has completed the Owsley County Fiscal Court audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. We have issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. Based upon the audit work performed, the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

Financial Condition:

Fund balances increased by \$41,534 from the beginning of the year, resulting in a cash surplus of \$178,077 as of June 30, 2003.

Debt Obligations:

Capital lease principal agreements, including a contingent liability, totaled \$109,200 as of June 30, 2003. Future principal and interest payments of \$117,185 are needed to meet these obligations, \$19,246 of which is a loan receivable from Allen's Ambulance Service.

Report Comments:

- The County Should Properly Account For Encumbrances
- The County Treasurer Should Prepare Bank Reconciliations For All Bank Accounts, Including Revolving Payroll/Withholding Accounts
- The County Should Maintain Adequate Inventory Records
- Line Item Budget Transfers Should Total To Zero
- The County Did Not Properly Calculate And Record Comp Time Earned By Employees
- The County Should Require Depository Institutions To Pledge Or Provide Sufficient Collateral To Protect Deposits At All Times
- The County Did Not Publish The Annual Financial Statement Within Sixty Days As Required

Deposits:

The fiscal court's deposits were insured and collateralized by bank securities or bonds as of June 30, 2003, but were not adequately insured and collateralized on August 31, 2002.

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CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS



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To the People of Kentucky
Honorable Ernie Fletcher, Governor
Robbie Rudolph, Secretary
Finance and Administration Cabinet
Honorable Cale Turner, Owsley County Judge/Executive
Members of the Owsley County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities, and equity arising from cash transactions of Owsley County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2003, and the related statement of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and changes in cash balances for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Owsley County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, Owsley County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and equity of Owsley County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2003, and the revenues received and expenditures paid for the year then ended in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated June 21, 2004, on our consideration of Owsley County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.





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The accompanying financial information listed as supporting schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of Owsley County, Kentucky. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the accompanying comments and recommendations, included herein, which discusses the following report comments:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - June 21, 2004

OWSLEY COUNTY OFFICIALS

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Fiscal Court Members:

Cale Turner County Judge/Executive

Bill Hall Magistrate
Mike Harris Magistrate
Jesse Bishop Jr. Magistrate

Other Elected Officials:

Henley McIntosh County Attorney

Hubert Shouse Jailer

Sid Gabbard County Clerk

Mike Mays Circuit Court Clerk

Kelly Shouse Sheriff

Monica Barrett Property Valuation Administrator

Eddie Isaacs Coroner

Appointed Personnel:

Marvin McIntosh Former County Treasurer

Barbara Whittaker Finance Officer



STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND EQUITY ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

OWSLEY COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND EQUITY ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

June 30, 2003

	 Government	al Fur	nd Type	Totals orandum Only) Primary overnment
	 Special General Revenue			
Assets and Other Resources				
Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents Loan Receivable (Note 4)	\$ 166,269	\$	11,904 17,320	\$ 178,173 17,320
Total Assets	\$ 166,269	\$	29,224	\$ 195,493
Other Resources				
Amounts to Be Provided in Future Years for:				
Capital Leases (Note 5 A, B, & C)	\$ 73,080			\$ 73,080
Total Other Resources	\$ 73,080		_	\$ 73,080
Total Assets and Other Resources	\$ 239,349	\$	29,224	\$ 268,573

OWSLEY COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND EQUITY ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS June 30, 2003 (Continued)

	Governmental Fund Types					Totals (Memorandum Only) Primary Government		
	Special General Revenue							
Liabilities and Equity								
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Capital Leases (Note 5 A, B, & C)	\$	73,080	\$	17,320	\$	90,400		
Total Liabilities	\$	73,080	\$	17,320	\$	90,400		
Equity								
Fund Balances: Reserved Unreserved	\$	166,269	\$	11,904	\$	11,904 166,269		
Total Equity	\$	166,269	\$	11,904	\$	178,173		
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$	239,349	\$	29,224	\$	268,573		

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

OWSLEY COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	General Fund Type							
Cash Receipts	General Fund			oad and Bridge Fund	J	ail Fund	Go E	Local vernment conomic ssistance Fund
Schedule of Operating Revenue	\$	496,988	\$	785,928	\$	36,998	\$	89,072
Other Financing Sources: Transfers In Lease-Purchase Proceeds		169,636		27,000 50,400		165,602		
Total Cash Receipts	\$	666,624	\$	863,328	\$	202,600	\$	89,072
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>								
Comparative Schedule of Final Budget and Budgeted Expenditures Other Financing Uses: Transfers Out	\$	559,018 111,621	\$	618,139 169,636	\$	206,420	\$	32,477 80,981
Capital Lease Agreements:		111,021		109,030				00,901
Principal Paid		8,505					-	_
Total Cash Disbursements	\$	679,144	\$	787,775	\$	206,420	\$	113,458
Excess (Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	\$	(12,520)	\$	75,553	\$	(3,820)	\$	(24,386)
Cash Balance - July 1, 2002	\$	63,760	\$	<u>29,757</u>	\$	7,345	\$	30,484
Cash Balance - June 30, 2003	\$	51,240	\$	105,310	\$	3,525	\$	6,098

^{*} Prior year balance adjusted \$1 due to rounding

OWSLEY COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES June 30, 2003 (Continued)

Special Revenue Fund Type

An	nbulance Fund		orestry Fund	Е	Local vernment conomic velopment Fund	Dev Blo	Community Development Block Grant Fund		Totals (Memorandum Only)	
\$	19,672	\$	1,931	\$	552,407	\$	3,500	\$	1,986,496	
									362,238 50,400	
\$	19,672	\$	1,931	\$	552,407	\$	3,500	\$	2,399,134	
\$	6,535	\$	1,866	\$	552,407	\$	3,500	\$	1,980,362 362,238	
	6,495								15,000	
\$	13,030	\$	1,866	_\$_	552,407	\$	3,500	_\$_	2,357,600	
\$ _\$	6,642 4,949	\$ \$	65 248	\$ _\$		\$ \$		\$ \$	41,534 136,543	
\$	11,591	\$	313	\$		\$		\$	178,077	

OWSLEY COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2003

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements of Owsley County include the funds, agencies, boards, and entities for which the fiscal court is financially accountable. Financial accountability, as defined by Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, as amended by GASB 14, was determined on the basis of the government's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, participate in fiscal management and the scope of public service. Based upon the application of the criteria stated in GASB 14, there are no component units which merit consideration as part of the reporting entity.

Additional - Owsley County Constitutional Elected Officials

- Circuit Court Clerk
- County Attorney
- County Clerk
- County Sheriff
- Property Valuation Administrator

The Kentucky constitution provides for election of the above officials from the geographic area constituting Owsley County. Pursuant to state statute, these officials perform various services for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its judicial courts, the fiscal court, various cities and special districts within the county, and the board of education. In exercising these responsibilities, however, they are required to comply with state laws. Audits of their financial statements are issued separately and individually and can be obtained from their respective administrative offices.

B. Fund Accounting

Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. The government uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Owsley County Fiscal Court's fund types, a definition of each, and county funds included within each fund type are listed below.

1) General Fund Type

General Fund Type accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund type. The Owsley County General Fund Type includes the following county funds: General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Jail Fund, and the Local Government Economic Assistance Fund.

2) Special Revenue Fund Type

Special Revenue Fund Type accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for the specified purpose. The Owsley County Special Revenue Fund Type includes the following county funds: Ambulance Fund, Forestry Fund, Local Government Economic Development Fund, and Community Development Block Grant Fund.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Basis of Accounting

For all fund types, the county utilizes a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received and expenditures when paid. Long-term receivables, long-term obligations and amounts to be provided in future years to retire debt are recorded in the financial statements. The amount to be provided in future years to retire debt is offset by any cash or cash equivalents held by the county in a bond or debt service fund.

The State Local Finance Officer does not require the county to maintain a general fixed assets group of accounts; therefore the value of the county's fixed assets is not included in the financial statements. These fixed assets include buildings, equipment and land that are owned by the county.

D. Legal Compliance - Budget

The Owsley County budget is adopted on a cash basis of accounting and according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the State Local Finance Officer. The County Judge/Executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed expenditures to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the State Local Finance Officer. Expenditures may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

E. Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in bank accounts. KRS 66.480 authorizes the county to invest in the following, including but not limited to, obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of any corporation of the United States government, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state, and certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligation permitted by KRS 41.240(4).

F. Joint Ventures

A legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual agreement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain (a) an ongoing financial interest or (b) an ongoing financial responsibility is a joint venture.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

F. Joint Ventures (Continued)

The Owsley County Fiscal Court has entered into a joint venture with Wolfe and Lee counties. They have formed the Three Forks Public Properties Corporation, a legally separate organization, in order to sell bonds to build the Three Forks Regional Jail. The Owsley County Fiscal Court does not appoint a voting majority of the 10 board members. Lee County appoints 4 of the 10 members. Wolfe and Owsley counties appoint 3 members each. Each county will be equally liable if the Three Forks Regional Jail doesn't meet the bond payment requirements. Each of the three participants will have joint control and they have an ongoing financial interest and ongoing financial responsibility. Each county has also guaranteed the Three Forks Regional Jail payment for 15 prisoners per county at the rate of \$25 a day even if the occupancy is at a lower amount. The Three Forks Public Properties Corporation issued \$6,295,000 of First Mortgage Revenue Bonds for the construction of the regional jail.

Note 2. Employee Retirement System

The county has elected to participate in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS), pursuant to KRS 78.530 administered by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems. This is a multiple-employer public retirement system which covers all eligible full-time employees. Benefit contributions and provisions are established by statute. Nonhazardous covered employees are required to contribute 5 percent of their salary to the plan. The county's contribution rate for nonhazardous employees was 6.34 percent.

Benefits fully vest on reaching five years of service for nonhazardous employees. Aspects of benefits for nonhazardous employees include retirement after 27 years of service or age 65.

Historical trend information showing the CERS' progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is presented in the Kentucky Retirement Systems' annual financial report.

Note 3. Deposits

The county maintained deposits of public funds with depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). According to KRS 66.480(1)(d) and KRS 41.240(4), the depository institution should pledge or provide sufficient collateral which, together with FDIC insurance, equals or exceeds the amount of public funds on deposit at all times. In order to be valid against the FDIC in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the county and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. The county entered into a written agreement with the depository institution and met requirements (a), (b), and (c) stated above. However, as of August 31, 2002, the collateral and FDIC insurance together did not equal or exceed the amount on deposit, leaving \$149,256 of public funds uninsured and unsecured.

Note 3. Deposits (Continued)

The county's deposits are categorized below to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the county as of August 31, 2002.

	Bar	nk Balance
FDIC Insured	\$	100,000
Collateralized with securities held by pledging depository institution in the county's name		271,507
Uncollateralized and uninsured		149,256
Total	\$	520,763

Note 4. Loan Receivable

On March 2, 2000, the fiscal court entered into an agreement with Allen's Ambulance Service for the purchase of an ambulance. The agreement stated that the fiscal court would finance the ambulance purchase on behalf of Allen's Ambulance Service. The county is responsible for making the required monthly payments. As of June 30, 2003, Allen's Ambulance Service owed the county \$17,320 in unpaid loan principal payments (See Note 5B for payment schedule).

Note 5. Capital Leases

A. Voting Machines

On March 2, 2000, Owsley County entered into a lease agreement with Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust for voting machines. The principal amount of the lease was \$48,195. The agreement requires semi-annual interest payments in May and November and annual principal payments in May to be paid in full May 20, 2005. The principal balance of the agreement was \$22,680 as of June 30, 2003. Lease payments for the remaining years are:

	Sc	heduled		
Fiscal Year	Interest And		Sc	heduled
Ending June 30	Other Fees		P	rincipal
2004	\$	1,588	\$	11,340
2005		936		11,340
Totals	\$	2,524	\$	22,680

Note 5. Capital Leases (Continued)

B. Ambulance

On March 2, 2000, the fiscal court entered into an agreement with Allen's Ambulance Service for the purchase of an ambulance. The agreement stated that the fiscal court would finance it on behalf of Allen's Ambulance Service. The county is responsible for making the required monthly payments. Allen's Ambulance Service is required to reimburse the county for the monthly payments. As of June 30, 2003, the remaining principal balance was \$17,320, all of which is a receivable due the county from Allen's Ambulance Service (See Note 4 above). Lease payments for the remaining years are:

Scheduled								
Fiscal Year	Scheduled							
Ending June 30	Ot	her Fees	P	rincipal				
2004	\$	1,212	\$	8,660				
2005		714		8,660				
Totals	\$	1,926	\$	17,320				

C. John Deere Backhoe

On June 24, 2003, the fiscal court entered into a lease agreement with Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust for the purchase of a John Deere backhoe. The principal amount of the lease was \$50,400, all of which was outstanding as of June 30, 2003. The agreement requires monthly interest payments and annual principal payments in January to be paid in full January 20, 2006. Lease payments for the remaining years are:

Scheduled								
Fiscal Year	Interest And		Interest And		Sc	heduled		
Ending June 30	Other Fees		Other Fees		P	rincipal		
2004	\$	1,096	\$	16,500				
2005		661		16,800				
2006		247		17,100				
Totals	\$	2,004	\$	50,400				

Note 6. Contingent Liability

On November 4, 1998, the county entered into an agreement with Fifth Third Bank Corporate Trust to purchase an ambulance that is used by Allen's Ambulance Service. Firth Third Bank Corporate Trust has since been purchased by the Bank of New York, however, the terms of the agreement remain the same. Allen's Ambulance Service is making all payments for the ambulance directly to the Bank of New York. In the event that Allen's Ambulance Service should fail to make the scheduled payment, the county would be responsible for the liability. As of June 30, 2003, Allen's Ambulance Service was in compliance with all scheduled payments to the Bank of New York. As of June 30, 2003, the outstanding principal balance was \$18,800. Lease payments for the remaining years are:

Scheduled								
Fiscal Year	In	terest And		Scheduled				
Ending June 30	O	ther Fees		Principal				
2004	\$	875	\$	6,700				
2005		528		7,100				
2006		128		5,000				
Totals	\$	1,531	\$	18,800				

Note 7. Insurance

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, Owsley County was a member of the Kentucky Association of Counties' All Lines Fund (KALF). KALF is a self-insurance fund and was organized to obtain lower cost coverage for general liability, property damage, public officials' errors and omissions, public liability, and other damages. The basic nature of a self-insurance program is that of a collectively shared risk by its members. If losses incurred for covered claims exceed the resources contributed by the members, the members are responsible for payment of the excess losses.



COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

OWSLEY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Budgeted Funds	Budgeted Operating Revenue		Actual Operating Revenue		 Over (Under) Budget
General Fund Type					
General Fund	\$	455,214	\$	496,988	\$ 41,774
Road and Bridge Fund		884,681		785,928	(98,753)
Jail Fund		63,100		36,998	(26,102)
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		94,500		89,072	(5,428)
Special Revenue Fund Type					
Ambulance Fund		60,000		19,672	(40,328)
Forestry Fund		2,040		1,931	(109)
Local Government Economic Development Fund		972,000		552,407	(419,593)
Community Development Block Grant Fund		3,500		3,500	
Totals	\$	2,535,035	\$	1,986,496	\$ (548,539)
Reconciliation					
Total Budgeted Operating Revenue Above					\$ 2,535,035
Add: Budgeted Prior Year Surplus					94,984
Less: Other Financing Uses					 (15,000)
Total Operating Budget Per Comparative Schedule					
Of Final Budget and Budgeted Expenditures					\$ 2,615,019





OWSLEY COUNTY SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE

Revenue Categories	General Fund Type						Special Revenue und Type	Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Taxes	\$	330,779	\$	1,923	\$	332,702				
In Lieu Tax Payments		21,084				21,084				
Licenses and Permits		5,862				5,862				
Intergovernmental Revenues		977,028		567,490		1,544,518				
Charges for Services		9,385				9,385				
Miscellaneous Revenues		61,834		8,081		69,915				
Interest Earned		3,014		16		3,030				
Total Operating Revenue	\$	1,408,986	\$	577,510	\$	1,986,496				



COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

OWSLEY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	 GEN	PE				
Expenditure Categories	_		Budgeted spenditures		Under (Over) Budget	
General Government Protection to Persons and Property General Health and Sanitation Social Services Roads Debt Service Capital Projects Administration	\$ 375,996 278,891 11,551 3,000 503,528 2,077 147,585 261,346	\$	370,154 261,328 11,498 3,000 438,093 2,077 103,799 226,105	\$	5,842 17,563 53 - 65,435 - 43,786 35,241	
Total Operating Budget - General Fund Type Other Financing Uses: Capital Lease Agreements- Principal on Lease - Voting Machines	\$ 1,583,974 8,505	\$	1,416,054 8,505	\$	167,920	
TOTAL BUDGET - GENERAL FUND TYPE	\$ 1,592,479	\$	1,424,559	\$	167,920	

OWSLEY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003 (Continued)

		SPECIAI	ID TYPE			
Expenditure Categories		Final Budget		Budgeted Expenditures		Under (Over) Budget
General Government Protection to Persons and Property General Health and Sanitation Recreation and Culture Debt Service	\$	897,000 47,102 3,500 75,000 8,443	\$	552,407 7,500 3,500	\$	344,593 39,602 - 75,000 7,542
Total Operating Budget - Special Revenue Fund Type	\$	1,031,045	\$	564,308	\$	466,737
Other Financing Uses: Capital Lease Agreements- Principal on Lease - Ambulance		6,495		6,495		
TOTAL BUDGET - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPE	\$	1,037,540	\$	570,803	\$	466,737

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS



CRIT LUALLEN AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Cale Turner, Owsley County Judge/Executive Members of the Owsley County Fiscal Court

Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

We have audited the financial statements of Owsley County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated June 21, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Owsley County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and which are described in the accompanying comments and recommendations.

- The County Did Not Properly Calculate And Record Comp Time Earned By Employees
- The County Should Require Depository Institutions To Pledge Or Provide Sufficient Collateral To Protect Deposits At All Times
- The County Did Not Publish The Annual Financial Statement Within Sixty Days As Required

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Owsley County's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over



Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards (Continued)

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect Owsley County's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying comments and recommendations.

- The County Should Properly Account For Encumbrances
- The County Treasurer Should Prepare Bank Reconciliations For All Bank Accounts, Including Revolving Payroll/Withholding Accounts
- The County Should Maintain Adequate Inventory Records
- Line Item Budget Transfers Should Total To Zero

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we consider all of them to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit Luallen

Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - June 21, 2004



OWSLEY COUNTY COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS

The County Should Properly Account For Encumbrances

The fiscal court did not prepare a complete and accurate list of encumbrances for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. This is a requirement of the Department for Local Government (DLG). The County should prepare a list of any unpaid purchase orders by fund from the purchase order journal at the close of each quarter. The list should include the P.O. number and the amount. These amounts should also agree to the amounts reported on the 4th Quarter Financial Statement. We recommend that the fiscal court adopt the purchasing procedures set forth by DLG.

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

We will be attaching purchase orders to all encumbrances that are outstanding.

The County Treasurer Should Prepare Bank Reconciliations For All Bank Accounts, Including Revolving Payroll/Withholding Accounts

Bank reconciliations were not prepared for the CDBG Fund, the Retirement Revolving Account, the EFTPS Account, and the Withholding for Sheriff & Clerk Account. The CDBG Fund is a separate fund of the county and is included on the financial statements, therefore, should have a separate bank reconciliation prepared even if the bank statement shows a zero balance. Also, even though the payroll related accounts previously mentioned are revolving and should ideally have a zero balance, bank reconciliations are still necessary. Payroll account balances are included on the county's financial statements and auditors must have an accurate reconciled balance. We recommend that the treasurer prepare bank reconciliations for all bank accounts.

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

We will make sure to prepare bank reconciliations on all accounts.

OWSLEY COUNTY COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003 (Continued)

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS (Continued)

The County Should Maintain Adequate Inventory Records

The county's Inventory records are not adequate. The county maintains inventory records, but they are not in accordance with the guidelines established by the DLG. The equipment listed did not have model numbers, serial numbers, or the cost or other basis of valuation. The DLG "State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual" states that "Adequate fixed asset records provide the information necessary to:

- Report the costs or other basis of valuation,
- Determine the accuracy of insurance coverage,
- Maintain control of county property, and
- Long range planning for property replacement"

It further states that the following procedures should be used to achieve the above objectives:

- "Record The fixed asset record must identify the asset, its cost or other basis of valuation, date acquired, fund charged, location and other information
- Inventory An annual inventory of fixed assets must be conducted and compared to the fixed assets records. A master list should be prepared,
- Updating A fixed asset record should be prepared for each acquisition. The total of the
 capital outlay accounts for the year should be compared to the total general fixed asset
 additions. The deletions to general fixed assets (disposal information) should be
 documented.

We recommend that the fiscal court adopt the procedures and documents set forth by the DLG Handbook *Instructional Guide for County Budget Preparation & State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual*. Copies of blank forms are provided in the manual for county personnel to use.

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

We are in the process of doing this and will be included on the yearly financial statement.

Line Item Budget Transfers Should Total To Zero

Line item budget transfers in the expenditures section of the 4th Quarter Financial Statement did not add to zero (they did not cancel out) in total among all funds listed on the 4th Quarter Financial Statement. A difference of \$11,600 was noted in the Jail Fund for the line item budget transfers. We recommend the county ensure that line item transfers zero out in total in order to check for the accuracy of budget information and computations.

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

Using Fiscal Soft program will take care of this problem.

OWSLEY COUNTY COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003 (Continued)

NONCOMPLIANCES

The County Did Not Properly Calculate And Record Comp-Time Earned By Employees

It was noted during testing that beginning in January 2003, the county offered employees the opportunity to earn comp-time. The county did not properly calculate and record comp-time earned by these employees. The county only allowed the employees to earn comp-time on an hour for hour basis for time worked over 40 hours per week. Pursuant to KRS 337.285, "a county employee may be granted compensatory time in lieu of overtime pay, at the rate of not less than one and one-half (1½) hours for each hour the county employee is authorized to work in excess of forty (40) hours in a work week." We recommend the county review all payroll records beginning in January 2003 and determine which employees are owed additional comp-time and increase those employees' comp-time balances. In the event the employee is no longer employed by the county, KRS 337.285 also states, "all unused accrued compensatory time shall be paid at a rate of compensation not less than: (a) the average regular rate received by the county employee during the last three (3) years of the county employee's employment; or (b) the final regular rate received by the county employee, whichever is higher."

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

We will adjust timesheets to show time and half.

The County Should Require Depository Institutions To Pledge Or Provide Sufficient Collateral To Protect Deposits At All Times

The county maintained deposits of public funds with depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). According to KRS 66.480(1)(d) and KRS 41.240(4), the depository institution should pledge or provide sufficient collateral which, together with FDIC insurance, equals or exceeds the amount of public funds on deposit at all times. In order to be valid against the FDIC in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the county and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. The county entered into a written agreement with the depository institution and met requirements (a), (b), and (c) stated above. However, as of August 31, 2002, the collateral and FDIC insurance together did not equal or exceed the amount on deposit, leaving \$149,256 of public funds uninsured and unsecured. We recommend the county require the depository institution to pledge or provide sufficient collateral to protect deposits at all times.

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

We will ask the bank to make sure all deposits are secured at all times.

OWSLEY COUNTY COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003 (Continued)

NONCOMPLIANCES (Continued)

The County Did Not Publish The Annual Financial Statement Within Sixty Days As Required

The county did not publish the annual financial statement within 60 days as required. KRS 424.220 (6) states, "The officer shall...within sixty (60) days after the close of the fiscal year cause the financial statement to be published in full in a newspaper qualified under KRS 424.120 to publish advertisements for the city, county, or district, as the case may be." The county published the Treasurer's Settlement Report on September 25, 2003, which is after the 60-day publication deadline. We recommend the county publish the annual financial statement in a timely manner to comply with the requirements of KRS 424.220 (6).

County Judge/Executive Cale Turner's Response:

In the future, we will correct.

PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

- The County Should Properly Account For Encumbrances
- The County Should Maintain Adequate Inventory Records

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE -LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

OWSLEY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

OWSLEY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

The Owsley County Fiscal Court hereby certifies that assistance received from the Local Government Economic Development Program and Local Government Economic Assistance Program was expended for the purpose intended as dictated by the applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Cale Turner

County Judge/Executive

Marvin McIntosh

County Treasurer